

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed April 4, 2003, the abstract of the disclosure was objected to; claims 1-8, 12-15, 19-23, 25, 27-30, 32, 34-37, 39, and 41-43 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Straub et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,216,141); claims 9, 10, 11, 16-18, 24, 31, and 38 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Straub et al. in view of Nawaz et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,959,621); and claims 26, 33, and 40 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Straub et al. in view of Kisiel (U.S. Patent No. 6,327,586). The foregoing objections and rejections are respectfully traversed.

In accordance with the foregoing, the abstract has been amended. Claims 1-43 are pending and under consideration.

In the Summary page of the Office Action, the Examiner acknowledges the claim for the benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. 119, but does not indicate whether the certified copy of the priority document has been received. The Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge receipt of same.

The abstract is amended, taking the Examiner's comments into consideration. Withdrawal of the objections to the abstract is respectfully requested.

Straub discusses a system and method for integrating a document into a desktop window on a client computer. More particularly, Straub discloses in column 8, lines 25-44 "The viewer 140 is a hypertext document viewer used to display hypertext documents provided from the Internet, such as HTML pages. The invention may alternatively be embodied for displaying documents from public or private computer networks, such as a computer network of a commercial on-line service or an internal corporate local area network (LAN), an Intranet or like computer network. The illustrated document 142 (referred to as a "teaser") includes a graphical image 152 of an airplane and a text headline 154 indicating that airline ticket prices have been reduced. The teaser provides only a portion of information available from a content provider and is designed to entice a user to click on the teaser so that more information relating to the teaser is displayed. The viewer 140 sequences through different teasers, displaying one at a time for a predetermined period of time and then displaying the next teaser in the sequence. As will be further described below, a user can customize the teasers displayed in the viewer."

Moreover, Straub, Figure 1, shows a high-speed main memory 40. The memory 40 is

described in column 5, lines 13 to 26 and column 11, lines 17 to 28 of Straub.

Column 8, lines 39 to 41 of Straub et al. discloses that “viewer 140 sequences through different teasers, displaying one at a time for a predetermined period of time and then displaying the next teaser in the sequence”.

Nawaz '621 discloses a system and method for displaying data items in a ticker display pane on a client computer.

Kisiel discloses a system, method, and computer program product to automate the management and analysis of heterogenous data.

The combination of Straub and Nawaz is a system and method for integrating a document into a desktop window on a client computer, and for displaying data items in a ticker display pane on a client computer.

The combination of Straub and Kisiel is a system and method for integrating a document into a desktop window on a client computer, to automate the management and analysis of heterogenous data.

However, none of the foregoing references relied upon, either alone or in combination, discloses or suggests “a converter means for converting a representative character string of source data containing character strings into image data defined as an object” as recited in claim 1 of the present application.

In addition, none of the foregoing references relied upon, either alone or in combination, discloses or suggests “a storage means for storing the source data and the image in a manner of relating these pieces of data to each other”, also as recited in claim 1 of the present application.

Thus, claim 1 and dependent claims 2, 11, and 21-22 of the present application patentably distinguish over the foregoing references relied upon.

Moreover, independent claims 12 and 19 of the present application recite similar features as recited in claim 1, and thus, independent claims 12 and 19, and dependent claims 13, 18 and 20 also patentably distinguish over Straub.

In addition, none of the foregoing references relied upon, either alone or in combination, discloses or suggests “record means for recording the information operated in accordance with

the detection of the user's operation" as recited in claim 23 of the present application.

Thus, claim 23 and dependent claims 24-29 of the present application patentably distinguish over the foregoing references relied upon.

Moreover, independent claims 30 and 37 recite similar features as recited in claim 23, and thus, claims 30 and 37 and dependent claims 31-36 and 39-43 also patentably distinguish over the foregoing references relied upon.

Withdrawal of the foregoing rejections is respectfully requested.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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